

INDIANA Traffic Safety Newsletter

JUNE 2012

ARIES 5 UPDGRADE

If you haven't yet updated to ARIES 5, you need to do so IMMEDIATELY! Contact APRISS at (317) 215-8300 ASAP!

Mauricio Joya Helps Families Travel Safely

While some joke that Mauricio Joya is the "Car Seat Whisperer," the reality is very few people working in Child Passenger Safety have had the impact that Mauricio has. Last year alone, Mauricio conducted 181 office appointments for Latino families, and provided 166 car seats. This is all *in addition to* organizing and working at CPS clinics throughout the state.

Mauricio Joya joined the Automotive Safety Program in 2005 as the first Project Manager dedicated to educating Latino families about the importance of buckling up their children. Originally from El Salvador, Mauricio received a B.S. in Agricultural Engineering from University Federal de Vicosa in Brazil. He moved to the U.S. in 1997 with his wife Claire, whom he met when she was serving in the Peace Corps in Belize. Knowing first-hand the challenges many of his clients have faced by moving to a foreign country and adapting to new cultural norms has made him a valuable asset to the Automotive Safety Program and Latino communities in Indiana.

Over the past seven years, Mauricio has honed his child passenger safety technician skills while expanding his community outreach efforts. In 2005, there were approximately 20 bilingual (Spanish/English) child passenger safety technicians in the state and only 17 permanent fitting stations that offered services to Latino clients. Under Mauricio's leadership, those numbers have increased to 55 and 56, respectively.

Those who have had the opportunity to work with Mauricio know him as a kind, compassionate, hardworking and trusted partner in the field of injury prevention. There is no accurate way to measure the number of children that Mr. Joya has impacted. For all that he has done for Hoosier children, Mauricio has earned this month's **Going Above & Beyond Award.**



Mauricio Joya poses with a car seat that was manufactured in 1983 and was still being used by a family in May 2011. The seat was replaced at a car seat clinic at no cost to the family.

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LEL SPOTLIGHT

<u>NC Region:</u> <u>Michigan City Police Officers Bryan Maxey and Ron Skibins</u> stopped a vehicle because the driver was not wearing a seatbelt. When they approached the vehicle, they discovered a mobile meth lab (as well as three children in the car)!

<u>NW Region</u>: While working Click It or Ticket on May 23rd, Rensselaer Police Chief Jeff Phillips apprehended a driver, after a brief pursuit with the assistance of Newton County Police setting up stop sticks. The driver was arrested and charged with OVWI with Prior Conviction, Habitual Traffic Violator and Resisting Law Enforcement (all Class D Felonies). The driver's BAC was .15%.

NE Region: While working the Rural Demonstration Project, the Noble County Traffic Safety Partnership arrested an underage drunk driver after a rollover crash; made an arrest for OVWI and leaving the scene of a crash resulting in one felony and 3 misdemeanor charges; during a seatbelt stop, apprehended a wanted suspect for Dealing in Schedule II Drug; during a seatbelt stop arrested an individual for several drug related charges resulting in one felony and 3 misdemeanors; located an elderly diabetic male face down in a field with no one around-he had become dizzy, fallen and could not get up to call for help; and during a seatbelt stop, the driver fled on foot and was apprehended and charged with HTV, OVWI and Resisting Law Enforcement.

STATE FISCAL YEAR CLOSE OUT

The end of the state fiscal year is June 30, 2012. The State Budget Agency (SBA) will stop receiving account payables on June 14th for processing and will not begin processing again until sometime in July. If your organization plans to seek reimbursement for any grant that is managed by a state agency, you must **submit your claim vouchers and all proper backup documentation** <u>no later than June 11th</u> so that we can ensure they are processed internally in time to make it to SBA by the cutoff. Claims received after June 11th will wait until mid July to be processed and paid.

FATAL CRASH CLAIMS THE LIFE OF OPO COORDINATOR'S SON

Our sympathy and condolences are with Tonya Colber, the Operation Pull Over Coordinator for Madison Police Department and Jefferson County Sheriff's Department. Sadly, Tonya's 19-year-old son, Tre', lost his life in a one-vehicle crash on May 6th.

FARS COUNT PROVISIONAL TOTAL OF 2012 TRAFFIC FATALITIES-AS OF 9:00 A.M. JUNE 1, 2012

	DEATHS		CRASHES		REDUCTION OR INCREASE	
	2011	2012	2011	2012	Deaths	Crashes
Rural	171	189	153	173	+18	+20
Urban	89	80	85	77	-9	-8
Statewide	260	269	238	250	+9	+12

"Americans will put up with anything provided it doesn't block traffic" -Dan Rather



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UPCOMING TRAINING/CONFERENCES/MEETINGS

OPO and BCC Annual Update and eGrant Training: If you have not yet registered for OPO/BCC Annual

Update and eGrant Training, please do so ASAP by contacting Sola Egunyomi at (317) 234-6257.

Lifesavers Conference

June 14-16, 2012 Orlando, FL Click here for more information.

Cell Phone Analysis Training

Click here for more information. June 5: Jasper, IN June 26: Greencastle, IN July 10: Peru, IN

Click here for more information.

Cannabis Indoor Grow July 17-18, 2012 Evansville, IN Training to detect, search, seize, prosecute and testify in indoor marijuana grow cases.

DDACTS Training

June 19-21, 2012 Lafayette, IN Data-Driven Approaches to Crime and Traffic Safety (DDACTS) is a threeday, 16-hour workshop. For more information or to register, contact Debra

No More CPS Guesswork: Identifying & Using the Right Technical Resources

Piehl at dipiehl11@charter.net or (508) 450-5708.

June 21, 2012 4:00-5:00pm Webinar

FREE session to help attendees become more familiar with available resources. It will cover accessing and using child restraint labels and instructions, vehicle manuals, manufacturer hotlines, the LATCH manual, etc.- Sponsored by Safe Ride News and Dorel Juvenile Group. Click here to register now. 1 CEU available for this session.

GHSA: Public Health & Traffic Safety

August 26-29, 2012 Baltimore, MD Click here for more information.

Tactical Combat Casualty Care (TCCC) Provider Course

October 10-11, 2012 Evansville, IN Click here for more information.

STATE FARM SAFETY DAY CLINICS SEEKING CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY TECHNICIANS

If you are a certified Child Passenger Safety Technician who would like to earn some extra money, please consider working at one of the State Farm Safety Day Clinics. Each event will pay \$50. To schedule, contact April Brooks at the Automotive Safety Program at apbrooks@iupui.edu or (317) 944-2977.

Saturday, June 2- Lafayette Saturday, June 9- South Bend

Saturday, June 16- Lowell

Saturday, June 16 or 23- Evansville Saturday, June 23- Terre Haute

Saturday, July 14- Bremen

Saturday, Sept. 22- Boonville

Saturday, Sept. 29- Fowler



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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Websites

ARIES (Crash Records): http://crashreports.in.gov

Automotive Safety Program (Child Passenger Safety Information and CPS Tech Classes): www.preventinjury.org Center for Criminal Justice Research (Traffic Safety Research and Data for Indiana): http://policyinstitute.iu.edu

DRE: <u>Indiana www.indianadre.com</u> <u>National www.decp.org</u>

Indiana Coroners Association: www.indcoroners.org
Indiana State Department of Toxicology: www.in.gov/isdt

JTAC & eCWS: http://courts.in.gov/judiciary/jtac Email: jtacecws@jtac.in.gov

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration: www.nhtsa.gov
Traffic Safety Marketing: www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov

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CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY * NEW RESOURCES AVAILABLE*

Installing Child Safety Seats

To view, click here.

These booklets are available from the USAA Educational Foundation. They are **FREE** and may be requested in large quantities. They are currently being used across the county by hospitals, law enforcement, fire departments and other organizations. Contact Steve Finley at steven.finley@usaa.com or 800-531-6196 to request copies of this publication for your agency.



Spanish Flip Book

To view, click here.

Flip book for English-speaking technicians to educate Spanish-speaking families at car seat checks. Developed by Kansas Traffic Safety Resource Office and KDOT and being offered by AAA. \$6 per copy. To order, click here.

